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windows, the care of floors, verandas, and balconies, picture framing and hanging, the use of plaster casts, and the hundred and one other matters of home furnishing and decoration that come up for solution. The writer is no novice in the subject of which she treats, and the absence of impractical theories makes the work especially acceptable. In a word, it is a handbook on good taste as regards a very vital phase of common life, and it is one that can be studied with profit by all who wish to avoid the "decorative" nightmares so prevalent in city and urban dwellings.

* Dr. Charles M. Kurtz, assistant chief of the Department of Fine Arts of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, has compiled a very interesting and instructive "Handbook of the Saint Louis World's Fair," published by the Gottschalk Printing Company. The brochure is the outcome of an illustrated lecture on the fair delivered by the author before audiences in various cities. It does not assume to give anything like a complete account of the attractions that will pertain to the exposition, but it does provide in a simple, explicit manner such information as may be desired by those looking forward with interest to this great enterprise. The little book is profusely illustrated, is well printed, and is of convenient size for pocket use.



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"The Gate Beautiful," by John Ward Stimson. Albert Brandt. \$7.50 net.

"Bryan's Dictionary of Painters and Engravers." Illustrated. Vol. I, A-C. New Edition, Revised and Enlarged. The Macmillan Co. \$6 net.

"Homes and Their Decorations," by Lillie Hamilton French. Dodd, Mead & Co. \$3 net.

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